## GRAND

News From the Departments---New Posts, etc.

NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT. Fixing the Time for Holding It and the Rates of Transportation.

A meeting of the General Committee on Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic was held on the 7th at the Palace Hotel, San Francisco, Gen. Backus presiding, and Dr. L. L. Dorr acting as Secretary. There was a large attendance of members of the General Committee and all sub-committees, including Gen. John F. Miller, W. W. Montague (Treasurer), Chas. Kohler, A. G. Hawes, Gen. C. R. Thompson, Col. W. R. Smedberg, Supervisor Kunkler, Col. J. M. Litchfield, Edward Carlson, Phil I. Fisher, Dep't Commander R. H. Warfield, A. Maipas, Col. Stuart M. Taylor, W. H. Wharff, Jerome Deasy, O. B. Culver, E. T. Adams, J. M. Davis, R. H. Orton, G. H. Stevens, D. M. Cashin, H. T. Hobbert, Horace Wilson, Charles E. Wilson, E. S. Solomon, W. O. Gould, J. C. Innes, J. L. Tharp, William H. McNeil, S. J. Corbett, Maj. George A. Fisher and others.

The object of the meeting was to confer with the representatives of the railroad companies, of which T. H. Goodman, of the Southern Pacific Company; C. S. Stebbins, of the Union Pacific, and G. T. Nicholson, of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe, were present. The subject under discussion was the rates of fare to be charged for excursion tickets from the East to the Encampment to be held in San Francisco next year. At a previous meeting T. H. Goodman, of the Southern Pacific Company, had intimated that

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would be given; that the charge for first-class passage from Missouri River points to San Francisco and return would be \$50, tourists to be allowed to come by one route and return by another without extra charge. Subsequently the Transcontinental Association issued a circular, placing rates somewhat higher and making restrictions that were not satisfactory to the G.A.R. Committee. The Committee went into executive session, excluding the reporters, and Mr. Goodman stated that the price of tickets from Missouri River points would be \$50, provided they returned by the same route, or decided on their arrival at Missouri River terminals by which route they would return from San Francisco. If they did not make the choice until reaching San Francisce there would be an additional charge, which he hoped could be reduced to \$10. He could not speak definitely for the railroads east of the Missouri River, but thought the rate would be \$80. Gov. Perkins, of the Oregon Navigation Company, he understood, had spoken favorably of A REDUCTION TO PORTLAND

for those who desired to return by the Northera Pacific, and thought the rate might be dropped to \$10. Mr. Goodman stated that the reduced rates would be extended to members ans, the Woman's Relief Corps and all other kindred military associations, their accompanying bands and the families of all the members. He could not give any definite decision as to the length of time to be allowed on the excursion tickets, but ventured to say that it would be equal, if not greater, than the time allowed at the Knights Templar Conclave in 1883. The question as to when the Encampment should be held was next discussed, Mr. Goodman favoring the latter part of July or the early part of August. Mr. Salomon moved that the date of holding the Encampment be fixed between July 25 and Aug. 15. Gen. Miller, Mr. Montague, Col. Hawes, Col. Smedberg and Mr. Kohler favored the first week in August, as the harvest in this State would at that time be about finished, Mr. Kohler prophesying that 59,000 people would

COME TO THIS COAST at that time. Mr. Holmes offered an amendment that the dates he fixed between June 10 and 17, inclusive; but this motion was defeated

and the original motion carried. The meeting was very harmonious, and all points were settled to the entire satisfaction of the Grand Army Committee. Much enthusiasm exists among all old soldiers and citizens who are working for the success of the coming

## DEPARTMENT NEWS.

THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE has recently forwarded, in response to requests, blank applications for Post charters to the following: Chas. Redolph, Vendey, Ill.; H. Johnson, Wittenburg, Pa.; F. A. Montague, Blake, Fla.; T. H. Mattoon, Canaan Four Corners, N. Y.; J. D. Butler, Kingsburg, Cal.; John W. Howell, Brookston, Tex.; Albert Dunlap, Kent, Iowa; Charles Conat, Memphis, Mich.; making a total of 21 during the present administration, We have also received from John W. Hous-

ton, Warwick, N. Y., an application for Post charter signed by 29 comrades, together with fee for same, to be forwarded to Department Headquarters.

Stanton Post has now a valuable auxiliary in the form of the new Relief Corps, which was organ-ized on the 5th inst. by Mrs. C. Mason Kinne, President of the Department of California.

Harry M. Platner, Rockford: G. L. Nevius Post, No. I, will hold its annual Reunion and Campfire Nov. 2, at which time Gen. Prentiss will deliver

his lecture on Smileh. We expect soon to have a good-sized Camp of Sons of Veteraus. Ellis Post, of Pecatonica, will hold its annual Reunion and Campure towards the end of this month, A committee has been appointed by Dela Hunt Post, No. 152, of Cannelton, for the purpose of taking the preliminary steps to organize the soldiers and sailors of Perry County, Ind., in order that a Reunion may be held annually. Each Township is

called upon to send a delegation to Leopold to meet the committee Sunday, Oct. 25, 1885, at 1 o'clock p. m., for the purposes set forth above, and to decide on the time, place and conditions under which such Reunion shall be held. The vote of each Township in the convention will be as follows: Anderson, five; Leopold, five; Clark, five; Union, five; Oil, five; Tebin, five; town of Cannelton, 5; Tell City, 3; Troy, 3. A full delegation as proportioned is expected, and as many other soldiers and sailors as shall make it convenient to be present, are cordially invited to attend. The committee is as follows: E. G. Hughes, Chairman: Hinton Miller, Treasurer; J. B. Snyder, Secretary; George Shevels, J. C. Richey. IOWA.-

H. Rhoads, Avoca: U. S. Grant Post, No. 123, of this place, has a membership of 77, and is in firstclass working order. The comrades all take great interest in Grand Army affairs, and we are steadily increasing in numbers.

Col. E. P. Diehl, Glathe: On the 5th inst, our venerable Post Surgeon, Dr. B. Woodward, gave an Informal reception to Mother Bickerdyke, at which time over 200 of our citizens called to pay their respects to the brave old lady. During the recent Reunion at Topeka Mrs. Bickerdyke received more than 2,600 cards.

N. S. Fales, Thomaston: Wilson Post, No. 39, of this place, together with its Relief Corps, had an interesting clam-bake a short time ago, which was very largely attended. At our last meeting we voted to appropriate the 15 cents called for by the

Commander-in-Chief's General Order, for the Grant Monument fund, MASSACHUSETTS .-

David Beyden, Worcester: In THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE of Oct. 8, I notice under head of Department News from New Hampshire, a communication from Storer Post, of Portsmouth, giving an account of a gift from Col. J. Horace Kent, of a set of Forbes's celebrated etchings. Your correspondent says: "A set of these etchings was presented to a Washington Post by Dr. Bliss, late Surgeon-in-Chief in attendance upon President Garfield, and another is owned by a Post in Chicago. Except these two and Storer Post, it is believed that no other Post of the G.A.R. has been similarly favored." I would like to say to the comrade that he is way behind. In 1877, Gen. A. B. R. Sprague presented our Post, No. 10, G:A.R., with the set. and they have hung in our Post Hall since that time, admired by all who have ever seen them. Gen. Sprague is a whole-souled, generous comrade, and I only wish every Post could have such a member, that they might have a present of the

Members of Post 11, of Charlestown, Mass., have drafted a petition to be sent to the Secretary of the Navy, requesting him to open the navy yard and send work there.

W. H. H. Shreckengaust, Pattonsburg: Post No. 242 was mustered at this place Sept. I with 41 charter members and the following officers: Commander, W. H. H. Shrenckengaust; S. V. C., Geo. W. Morris; J. V. C., O. F. Shumway; Surg., E. H. Waggoner; Chap., David M. Heath; O. D., J. Corry Fish; O. G., Ransom Shores; Adj't, Joseph W. Merrifield; Q. M., William Ward; Q. M. S., Jas. Hooper; S. M., Wm. Minshall, At this writing the Post numbers 62 members. MISSOURI .-Post numbers 62 members.

**NEW MEXICO.-**"A comrade," Las Vegas: G. K. Warren Post,
No. 5, at Albuqurque, N. M., gave a very interesting Campfire at their hall Sept, 30 during the Territorial Fair. Much interest and enthusiasm was manifested by the comrades of the visiting Posts I held its own during the Summer, the report for the

and citizens generally. After singing old war songs, Department Commander J. J. Fitzgerrell made a speech, which was heartily received by the vet-erans, after which Capt. Jack Crawford, the "Poet delivered an impromptu poem. He was followed by Col. Fountain, of Las Cruces, who came to New Mexico with the California columns in 1863. During the evening the Campfire was invaded by G. K. Warren Woman's Relief Corps, which served to the old veterans and their friends hot coffee, beans and hardtack, when, after a social Reunion long to be remembered by the participants, the Camplire was broken up. Grand Army matters in this Department, under the very able and energetic management of Commander Fitzgerrell, are booming. Two Grand Army Posts have just been chartered-one in Hillsboro, the other in Kingston, Sierra Co.—both prosperous and rich mining camps. Hillsboro is the Countyseat of Sierra County. The comrades are rapidly falling into line in the Department of New Mexico, and expect to make a Department showing of every Post in line at San Francisco next year. Our comrades from the mountains, the valleys and the plains, from the mines and ranches of New Mexico-a country whose climate is the finest on this earth, whose undeveloped resources are marvelous—will meet their comrades from the East who wear the same badge, who stood shoulder to shoulder 20 years ago, and around the campfire again renew the associations of long ago. They will find a warm-hearted, openhanded set of comrades here, who will bid the old comrade from the East to come and pitch their

NEW YORK .-Wm. Blandford Post, Jervis: Carroll Post, No. 279, of this place, has a large and steadily increasing membership. The comrades stand shoulder to shoulder now as they did in days of yore, and they all take the greatest interest in G.A.R. matters. "J. H. C.," New York city: On Oct. 14, Lafayette Post, No. 140, of this city, mustered in Maj. Samuel N. Benjamin, U. S. A., Assistant Adjutant-General, of Gen. Hancock's stail. The meeting was largely attended. Among the visitors in honor to the nev member were Gen. George Sheridan, of California, and Gen. Jardine; Past Department Commander James S. Fraser, and H. Clay Hall, present Department Commander of New York State. After the muster a glorious Campfire was held. A sumptuous spread-punch, coffee and eigars-helped to bring out some brilliant wit and humor. Whoever has istened to the inimitable, round, fat and joily Sherdan, can judge of the flow of wit and humor he "fired" at us. His army stories kept the boys in a continual roar of laughter. Department Com-mander H. Clay Hall in a stirring speech strongly recommended that in politics the Grand Army ballots should be east for the veteran candidate regardless of party, and thus if the Order does not show its strength its members are alone to blame; and, further, that by rights the National offices belong to the men who fought for their country, and that they are not only the most deserving, but are the best qualified to fill them, and if they want the offices they should have them, -at least, they should have the solid support of their comrades. The Grand Army vote can never be controlled by any party or set of politicians. It is a non-political organization, but it is a safeguard to the Republic and Union. It is an organization that will do more to purify polities than any and all other associations. A large majority of its members have passed the age of 50, their whitened heads and bent forms will soon pass out of sight, but while they live the Grand Army of the Republic will be a power in the

OHIO.-URGING THE COMPADES TO JOIN. The following excellent circular was issued at Zanesville on the 17th: HEADQ'RS DEPARTMENT OF OHIO,

GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, ZANESVILLE, O., Oct. 17, 1885. ) DEAR SIR: Your name has been forwarded to these Headquarters as that of a member of the old army which conquered treason on its native soil 20 known to the history of the world. That you may know of its objects, I quote from the Rules and Regulations as follows: OBJECTS.

The objects to be accomplished by this organization are as follows: 1. To preserve and strengthen those kind and fraternal feelings which bind together the soldiers, sallors and marines who united to suppress the late rebellion, and to perpetuate the memory and history

2. To assist such former comrades-in-arms as need help and protection, and to extend needful aid to the widows and orphans of those who have fallen. 3. To maintain true allegiance to the United States of America, based upon a paramount respect for, and fidelity to, its Constitution and laws; to discountenance whatever tends to weaken loyalty, incites to insurrection, treason or rebellion, or in any manner impairs the efficiency and permanency of our free institutions, and to encourage the spread of universal liberty, equal rights and justice to all

Its ranks are recruited from only loyal men, as witness this extract from our laws prescribing

ELIGIBILITY TO MEMBERSHIP. Soldiers and sailors of the United States army navy or marine corps, who served between April 12, 1861, and April 9, 1865, in the war for the suppression of the rebellion, and those having been honorably discharged therefrom after such service, and of such State regiments as were called into active service and subject to the orders of U. S. shall be eligible to membership in the Grand Army of the Republic. No person shall be eligible to membership who has at any time borne arms against the United States.

The Grand Army is in no sense a partisan of sectarian society, and I again quote from the law:

No officer or comrade of the Grand Army of the Republic shall in any manner use this organization for partisan purposes, and no discussion of partisan questions shall be permitted at any of its meetings, nor shall any nomination for political office be

THE DUTY OF SOLDIERS AND SAILORS. Having thus presented the objects, defined its purposes and explained the qualifications necessary to membership, I extend a personal and fraternal invitation to you as a comrade who worthily wore the blue and stood where only men dared to stand in the hour of our country's peril, to enroll your name upon the roster of the Post of your choice, and with us enjoy the pleasures which come only of our association; to assume the duties, perchance long neglected, of caring for the widow and orphans of him who came not back again, and to

assist your late companions-in-arms in all that pertains to fraiernity, charity and loyalty. THE WORK OF THE GRAND ARMY. The 550 Grand Army Posts in Ohio, with a mem-

bership of over 30,000, constituting one Department of the great national organization of 5,500 Posts, and more than 300,000 comrades, exert a powerful influence for good. If the work be measured by the standard of values in the financial world, the soldiers and sailors of the old army and navy, banded together in the Grand Army of the Republic, in the Buckeye State annually expend more than \$100,000 in the diffusion of that chairty of which the Savior taught—relieving the wants of the distressed ministering to the sick, burying the dead and caring for dependent ones left without an earthly protector. Could a higher, nobler impulse, a more sacred duty

THE MEMORIES OF '61 TO '65. You need not be reminded of obligations voluntarily assumed, by which the soldiers and sailors promised, before God and man, to forever keep sacred the comradeship of '61 to '65, nor of how we pledged ourselves to each other to stand by those depending upon brave hearts and strong arms for protection and a livelihood, if the issues of war should require the sacrifice of health and strength and life. By the memories of the camp, the march and the battlefield, as you value your integrity as a soldier and a citizen, by the fullness of your hopes of reward for duty well performed, I appeal to you to come up to our help in the discharge of a duty common to all who saw service in the armies of the Union.

Our ranks are being thinned day by day and the number of disabled comrades is constantly growing larger, but the Grand Army, while it finds its chicfest joy in its charities, cultivates other objects. Within our Post rooms the fraternities of the past are kept green and fresh; a spirit of loyalty is inculcated, and the awful penalty of treason taught by forms and ceremonies at once beautiful and impressive. Its object is not to keep alive the prejudices and bitterness of the war, or promote he selfish purpose of any man. We have loftier aims than these, and this appeal is addressed to the 40,000 old soldiers and sailors in Ohio not affiliated with our Order, to enroll themselves under the banner of the Grand Army of the Republic, I address you in the full knowledge that you must have observed and appreciated the value of the Grand Army as a commanding and potent force in your community in all that pertains to the highest interests of the Nation, to urge upon you the duty of sending in your application to a Post. May I ask that you will act on this suggestion at your earliest convenience. Any information desired will be cheerfully furnished from these Headquarters, and I should be glad, if you desire to enter upon a

correspondence on the subject here presented, to hear from you fully and freely. Fraternally yours, R. B. Brown, Dept. Com-

PENNSYLVANIA.-A Camp-fire was held on the 14th by Pennsylvania Reserve Post, No. 191, of Philadelphia. After music by the Matthew Baird Cornet Band from the Home for Orphans of Soldiers, Comrade Storie delivered the address of welcome. He was followed by George Dahis, who rendered a recitafollowed by George Danis, who rendered a recita-tion and sang a song. After a recitation by Dr. Ferguson, Mr. Johnson, "the colored mocking-bird," did some warbling which pleased the veter-ans very much. Comrade Storie, in behalf of the Post, then presented Miss Claghorn, the Treasurer of the Home for Orphans of Soldiers, with a certificate of membership and a gold badge of the Post. He also presented the Post with a handsome por-trait of Gen. Sickles. It was received by Commander Johnson.

Arrangements have been made to repaper and refurnish G.A.R. Hall, Cor. Ninth and D streets. These improvements, it is understood, will also be extended to Department Headquarters on the same floor. Of the old Posts which have been meeting in this hall for years, John F. Reynolds Post, No. 6, will move to the upper hall in the Grand Army building corner of Seventh and L streets; Post 19 may perhaps follow No. 6; John A. Rawlins, Kit Carson and Charles Sumner Posts will remain in the old ball. One of the ablest defenders of the continuous occupancy of the old hall is Comrade Gunning, the veteran Assistant Quartermaster-

substantial gain will be made during the present quarter, unless all signs are very deceiving. Com-mander Brooks and staff will make the first of the Fall visitations on the 22d inst. to Burnside Post. This visit will be for inspection. All comrades are invited to be present. Commander-in-Chief Burdett has promised to be present on that occasion. Col. McCalmont, of the 10th Pa. Res., the present Commissioner of Customs, and other prominent comrades, have promised to attend if possible. The Commander-in-Chief is fully alive to the importance of the question of suspensions. He will no loubt refer to this matter in his remarks at Burnside Post. Outside of the matters of charity and employment, it is the vital subject for the Grand Army to settle.

VERMONT .-Geo. R. Crosby, St. Johnsbury: The fair of Chamberlin Post, No. 1, of this place, commenced on Monday last, and continued five days. It was a great success and netted a neat sum to the relief

WISCONSIN.-On the 9th inst. the Woman's Relief Corps auxiliary to Gov. Hardy Post, of Racine, Wis., prepared a magnificent banquet for the members of the Post, at which over 300 comrades sat down. The event was a most interesting one, and greatly enjoyed by all the participants.

## REUNIONS.

The Reunion of the 111th Ohio, held recently at Port Clinton, was attended by a large num-

ber of veterans. E. T. Lee, Secretary, 41st Ill. Reunion Assoof every member.

Ivory H. Pike, President, Bloomington, Ill.: The sixth annual Reunion of the Illinois Associotion of Union Prisoners of War will be held at this place on Wednesday and Thursday, Oct. 21 and 22. The seventh annual Reunion of the 76th

N. Y. took place at Cortland, N. Y., Oct. 7. The Regnion of the veterans of Whiteside, Lee and Ogle Counties, Ill., was held at Franklin Grove Oct. 8 and 9. The camp was named after Col. E. N. Kirk, of the 13th Ill., and was in commond of Col. Dysart, of the same regiment. Over 340 soldiers, representing 116 difterent regiments, registered their names. The 13th, 15th, 34th, 46th and 75th regiments were vania regiments were represented. Ohio, Michigan, New York, Missouri, Wisconsin, Carolina were the other States represented. The principal oration was made by Gen. T. J. Henderson, representative in Congress from the Seventh District, who repeated, by special request, the eulogy on Gen. Grant delivered by him some time ago at a Reunion in Henry County. Bright speeches were also made by Capt. Bardwell, of Dixon. "One of the Boys," Kenton, O.: I take the | place.

liberty of sending you a brief communication giving an account of our Reunion (the 46th Ohio) held at Lafayette, Allen Co., O., Sept. | 708 Locust street, St. Louis, Mo., Friday, Oct. 29 and 30. Some 90 comrades were present to 9, 1885. There were present Capt. Edgar L. public you helped to save, I desire to present the claims of the Grand Army of the Republic—in every sense the strongest soldier organization.

Capt. Dagar E. Allen, Co. F; Lieut. Luther Armstrong, R. & M.; Simeon R. Ball, Co. G; Maj. A. T. Bartlett, of the Grand Army Posts, the Mexican Veter- every sense the strongest soldier organization of the village and surrounding vicinity. The Surgeon; John C. Bradshaw, Co. K; James town was handsomely decorated with arches, Barlow, Co. A; Henry S. Carroll, Sergeantmottoes and flags, displaying much taste and | Major; John N. Fuer, Co. D; Col. William H. patriotism; our introduction being a hearty | Heath; H. C. Hesser, Co. D; Lewis E. Kline, greeting by the boys, some of whom had not | Co. C; Geo. V. Lutz, Co. G; Daniel E. McAlismet each other since our discharge, over 20 | ter, Co. D; Maj. Wm. J. McKee; Chas. Madyears ago. After being assigned to our den, Co. F; Chas. E. Miller, Co. A; Thomas A. quarters and partaking of the bountiful supply | Moore, Co. K; John R. Murphy, Co. G; John of rations so nicely prepared by the good ladies of the different households, we assembled at | John J. Stephens, Co. A; John J. Ferrell, Co. A; the Christian church, where the following order of exercises was carried out: Music by the band and choir, after which was prayer. Next was the welcoming address, delivered by R. Mehaffey; responded to by Gen. C. C. Walcutt, formerly Colonel of the regiment. Then the and scenes incident to the three years of active song of the "Vacant Chair," by the choir; it | service at the front. Numerous letters from those naturally being of an impressive character and absent were read and filed. A permanent so beautifully rendered the applause was almost unabating, for it brought forth vivid recollections of many a poor comrade left on the battlefield, and many a silent tear could be seen stealing down the cheeks of the sturdy torian. All members of the regiment are earold veterans. Then came the recitation of "Sherdian's Ride," by Miss Angie Hall; "The | their name and address, in order that a com-Charge of the Light Brigade," by Miss Nellie | plete roster of all the survivors of this gallant Mank; "Grandmother's Story of the Battle of | regiment may be made, and thus render future Bunker Hill," by Miss Grace Sager. Suffice it | Reunions a success. It is hoped that every to say that they were rendered in such a member will furnish the Historian with all items manner as to elicit storms of applause. The | which should be included in the regimental hisclosing exercises for the evening consisted of | tory. They are requested to send original papers | music by the band and choir (such as "March- and memoranda, or copies of the same, relative ing Through Georgia," the "Star Spangled | to marches and battles participated in by the Banner," and others of like nature) and the regiment. After a bountiful supper and numerexperience of the boys on the march, battlefield, and tented campground, which recalled | journed to Friday of the week of the St. Louis many incidents of pleasure and sorrow. After Fair of 1886. having a good night's rest and a hearty breakfast, we repaired to the G.A.R. headquarters to elect our officers for the ensuing year and to transact such other business as necessary to promote the welfare of the organization. Under this head the following officers were elected: President, C. W. Kelsey, of New Salem, O.; Sec.,

A. B. Melick, of West Rushville, and Treas., W. gether. C. Clayton, of New Salem; the place selected for our next meeting being New Salem, Fairfield Co., O. Having concluded our business, we all fell in line under command of Capt. Dunathan, and marched through the principal streets, thence to the grove, where the followweight of the best of rations, which the nevertiring citizens had so bountifully provided. Having done justice to them, and everybody being fully satisfied, we repaired to the stand to join in the closing exercises, consisting of songs and incidents by the comrades. Among the most notable were Comrade Soliday's " Bean Song," and Comrade Angle's experience during the din of battle, and how energetic he was in helping Dr. Halderman to select a place for Field Hospital. Then came the parting salutations, hoping to meet at our next Reunion. The citizens of Lafayette may well feel proud of their hearty welcome given the boys, and to them and the never-tiring energies of the committee will the boys of the 46th ever remember the good time we enjoyed while among them. Long may they live to enjoy the bless-

ings of this life, is the earnest prayer of the old 46th Ohio. Wm. Barnes, Williamsburg, O.: The Reunion of the Clermont County (O.) soldiers, on Oct. 10, was attended by a vast concourse of people, who turned out to see how the boys took their pork, beans, hardtack and coffee. It was the largest gathering of that kind in the State since the war, 12 Grand Army Posts being repre- Princeton, Mo.; P. C. Stepp, E, Trenton,

John Foster and others. The surviving members of the 27th Conn. poem at the last meeting of the Society of the Army of the Potomac, will read an original Cisco, E, Princeton, Mo.; \*Reiley Dykes, E, the boys proceeded on their march. The ovation must certainly have been very satisfactory and

poem on this occasion. John Wheeler, Co. F, 7th Ill. Cav., Vandalia, Ill.: The 97th Ill., together with the 5th Ill. Cav., held a Reunion at this place recently and had a splendid time. Fully 5,000 persons were

on the Fair Grounds. The Reunion of the 9th Ind. Cav. at Indianapolis, Ind., on the 8th inst., was very largely attended. Speeches were made by Capt. D. W. Comstock and others. The 11th annual Reunion of the soldiers of

Perry County, Pa., was held at Newport, Pa., on the 16th inst. The town was beautifully decorated and the attendance large. The demonstration was a gratifying success. There was a creditable street parade, participated in by several Grand Aemy Posts and other veteran soldiers. A conspicuous feature of this portion of the day's proceedings was the trade display, representing the industries of Newport. The next annual Reuniou of the association will be held in New Bloomfield. The following officers were elected for 1886: Pres., H. G. Shearer; Sec., John L. McCroskey; Treas., Jas. Mclivenny. The commorative exercises were held in Center Square. Rev. J. F. Gladhill uglivered an address of welcome. Col. Chill, or Washington, Pa., was the orator of the day. Short speeches were also made by Department Commander Austin Curtin, Gen. Irvin Gregg and Congressman L. E. Atkinson. The exercises terminated with a Campfire in Centennial

At the recent Reunion at Iowa City, Iowa, the 22d Iowa chose the following officers: Pres., J. C. Shrader, Co. H; First V.-P., J. W. Lee, Co. F; Second V.-P., J. S. Wilson, Co. B; Third V.-P., W. K. Saxton, Co. E; Rec. Sec., J. C. the world that the old 12th Mo. Cav. still sur-Switzer, Co. A; Cor. Sec., Thos. Allum, Co. C; vives. - J. J. McBeath, Cameron, Mo.

third quarter being substantially the same as to membership as the second quarter's report. A selected as the place for holding the next Reselected as the place for holding the next Reunion, and the 22d and 23d of next September

the time. We are in receipt of the report of the Reunion of the 60th Ill. held Aug. 25, 26 and 27 last. It is in neatly printed pamphlet form, and gives a very interesting account of the proceedings. The ex-Federals and ex-Confederate Soldiers Association of Daviess Co., Ky., will hold a Re-

union at Owensboro, Oct. 22, 23 and 24. Daniel Long, Urbana, Ill.: The eighth annual Reunion of the 25th Ill. was held at Urbana on the 8th inst., about 72 members being present. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Col. W. Taggart; V. P., Geo. W. Flynn; Sec., B. F. Cook, and Treas., A.

At the Reunion of the veterans at Boone, Iowa, on the 15th, James Newcomber had his right arm shot off by the premature explosion of a fieldpiece. Newcomber was a member of the 4th Ind. battery during the war. The arm was amputated and a purse of \$400 raised for

E. H. Martin, Shelbyville, Ill.: The Reunion on the 9th inst. was more successful than any previous effort. Six hundred ex-soldiers were in line and 10,000 people were the delighted hearers and witnesses of the proceedings at the stand. The Reunion was held under the auspices of the Shelby County Veterans' Association, and was the first annual meeting of the ciation, Cerro Gordo, Ill., is making a roster of the regiment, and wants the name and address effected with J. W. Powers, 94th Ill., as President; Jas. T. Mukley, 17th Ohio, Treasurer; E. H. Martin, 115th Ill., Secretary, and a Vice-President for each Township of the County. Next year the association proposes to hold a three-days' meeting. Capt. F. Y. Hedley, late Adjutant of the 32d Ill., was the orator of the day. The boys are alive here, and THE NA-TIONAL TRIBUNE is with them the most popular soldiers' paper published anywhere. A. G. Miller, Stockbridge, Mich.: The date

of the Reunion of the 26th Mich, has been postponed to Dec. 16. Wm. M. Buffington, Monmouth, Ill.: The our work. members of the 83d Ill. attending the Reunion recently held here formed a permanent organization, and will hereafter hold annual Reunions. the most numerously represented, and each | The election of officers resulted in the choice effected regimental organizations. Next to of Maj. W. G. Bond for President; V.-P's, Illinois there were most delegates from Penn- Lieut. Cyrus Bute, Lieut. Thomas Tate, R. L. sylvania. Thirty-six Illinois and 30 Pennsyl- McReynolds, Lieut. H. B. Frazier, A. W. Cochran and John J. Ivey; Secretary, Wm. M. Buffington. Executive Committee, W. H. Sexton, Iowa, Vermont, Maryland, Massachusetts, J. I. Shauman, Frank B. Davis, D. C. Gowdy Maine, New Hampshire, New Jersey and North | and James H. Herdman. A committee of one from each company to assist in the preparations for next year was appointed, as follows: C. D. Shoemaker, Co. A; S. C. Hogue, Co. B; Jonas Murdock, Co. C; John Brady, Co. D; Lieut. Thomas Tate, Co. E; Charles Barnum, Co. F; James Rebstock, Co. G; John Courson, Co. H; Wm. M. Veatch, Co. I, and Dr. L. S. Lambert, Secretary of State Dement, Col. Noble, and Co. K. The time of the Reunion was fixed at Sept. 9, '86, the Executive Committee to fix the

The regular annual Reunion of the 33d Mo. was held at the rooms of the Mercantile Club, C. Ralston, Co. K; Lieut, S. B. Ripley, R. Q. M.; Mills W. Watson, Co. A; Wm. Waters, Co. K Louis G. Will, Co. H; Joseph Landing, Co. K Chris. Austerly, Co. A; Wm. A. Shaw, Co. D, and Andrew McBurney, Co. K. The afternoon and evening was spent in recounting the events organization was effected, with officers for the ensuing year elected as follows: Pres., Henry S. Carroll; V.-P., Wm. H. Heath; Sec., Wm. Waters. Col. Heath was appointed Hisnestly requested to furnish the Secretary with ous speeches and anecdotes, the meeting ad-

## To Members of the 12th Mo. Cav.

To THE EDITOR: At the soldiers' Reunion at survivors of the 12th Mo. Cav., who had been separated for 19 years, met and took dinner to-

Cav. Objects to be accomplished: The drawing together of the surviving members of the 12th Mo. Cav. once each year, for fraternal coming program was most happily executed: Music | munion, and to give each other the assistance by the band and choir, then prayer. Among which only comrades of the same command the speeches and recitations were the address | may be able to give. Jeff. Miller, Captain, Co. of welcome and response; "Jennie McNeil's | E. was elected President of the association, and Ride," by Miss Nellie Mank; "The Pride of T. J. McBeath, private, Co. B, Secretary. The Battery B," by Miss Myrtle Mank, the latter next meeting of the association will be held being most excellently rendered by so small a at the next annual Reunion of the Third Conchild. At the appointed time orders were given | gressional District of Missouri, of which due to fall in line and make a charge (not on the | notice will be given by the Secretary to all enemy), but on the tables groaning under the | members of the 12th who will favor him with

their address. Comrades of the 12th Mo. Cav., there is still Since the mustering-out of our command at have crossed the dark river. From this time forth let us, each one of us, try to get together at least once in each year. We may be able to generations the power of Fraternity, Charity,

and Loyalty. Below is a list of the names, with company and address, of those present at the organiza-

ers of the regiment whose addresses we have been able to obtain: John Leighty, Co. D, Princeton, Mo.; Ben. Hines, C, Winston, Mo.; Jesse Evans, M, Ravanna, Mo.; Dan. S. Lindsay, M, Winston, Mo.; Andrew J. Wright, L. Mount Moriah, Mo.; Jeff. Milier, E, Picasanton, Iowa; John W. Davis, E. Princeton, Mo.; William J. Sparks, E, Sprague, of Washington, D. C., who read the E, Princeton, Mo.; T. J. McBeath, B, Cameron , and places of business were brilliantly illuminated Princeton, Mo.; Preston Sharp, H, Eagleville, pleasing to those who took part in the procession, Mo.; C. A. Fairley, M, Ravanna, Mo.; J. H. and the cheers of the men in line testified their ap-Graves, M. Independence, Kan.; James H. preciation. Co. B, 9th Mass., did escort duty. It Acton, E, Pleasanton, Iowa; Samuel Hendrix, E, Mercer P.O., Mo.; James J. Jeffries, C, Winston, Mo.; Geo. L. Kest, B, Cameron, Mo.; Wm. and then proceeded to Gray's Hall, South Boston Cameron, Mo.; Isaac Miller, C, Milan, Mo.; James Wills, B, Stewartville, Mo.; George H. Roberts, C, Maysville, Mo.; Thomas J. Aughinbaugh, B. Stewartville, Mo.; Amos A. McIninch, B, St. Joseph, Mo.; Wm. J. King, B, St. Joseph, Mo.; John G. Woods, B, Wellington, Kan.; James L. Atterberry, C, Wellington, Kan.; Chas. F. Ernst, -, St. Joseph, Mo.; Chas. Shoneck, B, St. Joseph, Mo.; Henry Kolb, C, Maysville, Mo.; Oliver Graham, C, Fairport, Mo.; Joe Williams, C, Fairport, Mo.; Rob't F. Mc-Cullough, B, ---; Joseph T. Elson, B, --The names above the \* are of those present at the organization of the society; those marked with the " were on the grounds, but not with

the society at the organization. Comrades, in order to perfect our organization we will need a little pecuniary aid; 25 cents for each member of the 12th on the list will be enough to get circulars printed giving the time of holding the next Reunion.

All who feel disposed to help us please send

by postal note or one-cent stamps. Can get printing done at Cameron by Comrade Burnham, of the Observer. Send contributions to the Secretary, T. J. McBeath, Cameron. Now, comrades, let us all pull together; put in our mite, and come together next year and have a grand and glorious time and show to

Gleanings from National Headquarters--Notes from the Departments.

HEADQUARTERS WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS BOSTON, MASS. SARAH E. FULLER, National President. ELEANOR B. WHEELER, National Secretary.

Ост. 15, 1885. With note-book in hand we wend our way to National Headquarters for our weekly budget of Relief Corps news. We learn that many Posts and Corps are preparing to hold fairs to replenish the relief funds, and several have requested us to give information as to any special eatures that have been successful, or added to the attractions, and would it not be a fraternal of the veterans of this and adjoining Counties | act for any Corps to report through the columns of THE TRIBUNE, and other soldier papers, any such items, and to help each other? Among the callers at Headquarters have been Mrs. Mattie Moulton, of Laconia, N. H., Past National Chaplain; Colonel and Mrs. J. H. Kent, of Portsmouth; Past Department Commander of Connecticut, G.A.R., Comrade Alfred B. Beers and wife, of Bridgeport, Conn. Comrade Beers was among the first in Connecticut to become interested in the work of the W.R.C., and in its earliest days gave us some of the kindliest words of eucouragement, and we are happy to learn he has not lost any of his interest. The National President desires to call the

special attention of Department Presidents to the new issue of instructions to Corps Presidents, and recommends that each Department order a sufficient quantity to place a copy in the hands of every Corps officer, and that it be pasted in every ritual, thereby enabling every officer to become familiar with all the details of REPORTS OF PROGRESS-PROVISIONAL DEPART-

MENT OF PENNSYLVANIA. The Provisional President, Mrs. Annie Wittenmeyer, says, in a brief note written on the way to Hartford, Conn., that the quarterly re-

ports are all made out, and three new Corps organized and several others pending. She adds: "Prospects brighten, and we confidently hope that with the courage and experience of this tried and true soldier-worker, our sisters in that State will be able very soon to pass from under the cloud into the sunshine of prosperity and success." Mrs. Mary A. Wallace, Instituting and installing Officer, reports the organization of a large Corps at Smethport, McKean Co., Pa., but the list of officers was not included; but she writes there was great enthusiasm. Mrs. Jeanie M. Pearly also organized a large Corps at Wattsburg, Erie Co., with the following officers: Pres., Mrs. Amaseth Munsee; S. V.-P., Julia Foot; J. V.-P., Ellen Hayes; Sec., E. H. Chapin; Treas., Jennie Gray; Chap., Sarah H. Hill; Con., Minnie Foot; G., Emily Inman.

Mrs. Wittenmeyer also organized a Corps at New Milford, Susquehanna Co., Oct. 9, the offi- \$116 to a soldiers' monument fund, and will cers being: Pres., Delia S. Hagar; S. V.-P., Ada | continue to aid Canby Post in this good work, J. Gilbert; J. V.-P., Sarah A. Moffit; Sec., Cornelia McMillan; Treas., Sarah Tewsbury Chap., Anna Brooks; Con., Lidia C. Tucker; G., Esrella Hamilton.

DEPARTMENT OF MAINE. The Secretary of Bates Relief Corps, No. 14,

South Norridgewock, incloses resolutions adopted by that Corps on the death of a member: HEADQUARTERS BATES RELIEF CORPS. NO. 14.) SOUTH NORRIDGEWOCK, Mr., Oct. 8, 1885. The following resolutions of respect to the memry of Mrs. Helen M. Hale, who died Sept. 17, were adopted by the Woman's Relief Corps at a special

meeting called for that purpose.

Whereas the Great Giver of all good has seen fit for the first time, to send His messenger, Death, within our Corps walls, to sunder a link of our golden chain, and remove from our midst our beloved sister, Mrs. Hale: Resolved, by the Woman's Relief Corps No. 14, of which she was a faithful member, that while we deeply lament the untimely death of our sister, we

bow in humble submission to the decree of the Supreme Power above, who knows that His children ave finished their work ere He calls them to their Resolved, That in the death of sister Helen our corps loses a faithful member, the family circle a devoted wife and mother, an affectionate daughter

and sister. She loved all here. Dead, she sadden-Resolved. That we tender our fraternal and most sincere sympathy to the sorrowing family in their Resolved, That our altar, badges and charter be draped in mourning for 30 days. Resolved, That these resolutions be recorded in

our Record Book, a copy presented to the family of our deceased sister, and copies furnished to THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE and Lewiston Journal. COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS. Attest: JENNIE J. TOBEY, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS. Francis Gould Relief Corps, No. 43, Arlington, was inspected on the afternoon of Oct. 12 by Princeton, Mo., on Friday, Aug. 21, 1885, 18 | Mrs. Emma B. Lowd, Department Inspector, and their work was pronounced excellent. In the evening the Corps gave a banquet to Francis Gould Post, No. 36, and representatives from Post No. 66 and Corps No. 5, of Medford; Corps An agreement was there entered into to form No. 28, of Boston; Corps No. 3, of East Boston; the Association of survivors of the 12th Mo. | Corps No. 27, of Cambridgeport, with the National President, Mrs. Sarah E. Fuller; National Treasurer, Mrs. L. A. Turner; Department President, Mrs. M. Susie Goodale; Department Secretary, Miss Mary E. Elliott, and Department Inspector, Mrs. Lowd; several clergymen and prominent citizens, in all about 300, as guests. The whole affair was a great success. At the opening of the after-dinner exercises the President called on Post No. 36 and Corps No. 43 to rise, when the Chaplain of the Corps, in a very appropriate address, presented to the Commander, in behalf of the Corps, a beautiful silk flag; and although it was a perfect surprise to him, yet he found words to express the thanks of the Post and work for us to do. For over two and a half himself in a manner that proved his appreciayears we fought and toiled in defense of the | tion not only of the flag, but the faithful work-Union, under the Stars and Stripes. Through | ers who had so fully exemplified the principles scenes of peril we stood together as brothers. of the W.R.C., a helpmeet to the G.A.R. At the close of Commander Durgin's speech a Leavenworth in 1866, many of our comrades | quartet sang "The Star Spangled Banner," and after the Post had given three rousing cheers for the Corps there were short speeches by the National and Department officers of the W.R.C., aid one another in many ways. And by our comrades of the G.A.R. and others, interspersed coming together we will show to the coming | with readings and vocal music. Before the bappy company separated, Mrs. Randall, President of the Corps, was presented with a beautiful basket of flowers, and the National President "took the cake" in the shape of an eletion of the association; also, the names of oth- gant loaf presented by the Corps President. This Corps has been organized but 14 months; has 54 members in good standing, and, having accomplished all this without outside contributions, has, we think, justified the Inspector in ranking it as excellent.

From the Corresponding Secretary of Dahl gren Corps, No. 20, we get the following: HEADQ'RS, DAHLGREN RELIEF CORPS, No. 20, 1 SOUTH BOSTON, MASS., Oct. 9, 1885. The parade of Dahlgren Post, No. 2, South Boston, sented. Among the speakers were Gen. D. Mo.; John Shook, B, Princeton, Mo.; Ru- and complimentary banquet by Dahlgren Corps, Ward, Cols. Howard, Holder and Hulick, Capt. fus Beverage, L, Princeton, Mo.; Robert No. 20, after parade same evening, were a great suc-R. Miller, L. Kingston, Mo.; M. G. Neth- cess. Dahlgren Post, No. 2, of which Corps 20 is erton, L, Bancroft, Mo.; B. T. Mallet, H, Eagle- auxiliary, made a fine appearance and received abundant applause from multitudes of people all will dedicate their monument at Gettysburg | ville, Mo.; A. J. Crigler, E. Princeton, Mo.; along their route through the principal streets of on the 22d of this month. Maj. DeWitt C. Joe P. Mosely, E, Trenton, Mo.; Jesse Dykes, | South Boston on the evening of Sept. 29. Residences soem at the last meeting of the Society of the Mo.; \*James Dykes, M, Princeton, Mo.; \*James and the streets were ablaze with colored lights as being the 95th birthday of Maj. Dan Simpson, the boys paid their respects to him by appropriate salute as he appeared on the piazza of his residence, M. Thomas, C. Cameron, Mo.; Francis M. where Dablgren Corps, No. 20, were waiting to re-Brooks, B. Cameron, Mo.; John Gaultney, B, ceive them. The hall was beautifully decorated by R. C. Rankin, and the tables were very tastily arranged by the ladies of the Corps. Some 400 plates were laid for Post 2 and invited guests, among whom were the clergy of South Boston, represents tives from Ancient and Honorable Artillery, National Treasurer (Mrs. L. A. Turner), National Sec retary (Mrs. E. B. Wheeler) and others. Mrs. M. E. Lawton, President of Corps, with Commander Neilson, of Dahlgren Post, adorned the head of the table. Mrs. Lawton welcomed the guests, and, after a blessing by Rev. D. B. Jutten, ample justice was done to the repast, furnished wholly by the ladies of the Corps, who served at the tables. After ome time spent in discussing the supper, Commander Neilson introduced the speakers. Owing to the lateness of the hour very few guests were heard from, but all joined in prenouncing the occasion one of great interest and a great success, and by request of Commander Neilson, joined in sing-ing "America," after which they were dismissed.— H. M. Surgens, Corresponding Secretary. Send the good news along, and thus the strong may help the weak.

Department Gleanings.

PENSIONS FOR ARMY NURSES. As will be remembered the Grand Army has placed itself on record as demanding a pension from Congress for "Mother" Bickerdyke. This it did at the Portland Encampment in passing the minority report on a resolution introduced in her behalf. The Encampment also voted her for her last year by the Woman's Relief Corps, purely vegetable.

has combined to keep her comfortable until such time as Congress shall do something in her

But "Mother" Bickerdyke is not the only beloved army nurse who is, through age and other sore vicissitudes of life, fast nearing the bourne from which no traveler returns without just recognition of great services rendered the defenders of the Union. Harriet P. Dame, the beloved nurse of the Army of the Potomac, who fell and broke one of her legs last year, is now suffering a double affliction in the breaking of the other. Surely "the flood-gates" will not be opened should Congress show some recognition of the services of women like these, now Morris's husband was put on the rolls last Winter. Now let others equally deserving be added to the list. To show that "the boys" do not forget we give the following plea from a Wisconsin comrade, who will be glad to learn that Gen. Logan will introduce a bill to pension "Mother" Bickerdyke as soon as Congress

ON 19 BATTLEFIELDS.

DEAR TRIBUNE: While we urge the passage of a bill by Congress allowing increase of pensions to disabled soldiers and widows left destitute, we must not forget those who went forth to administer to the wants of the boys who were suffering with disease and wounds. Among the number I would mention the case of Mary A. Bickerdyke. This lady, whom thousands of old veterans have cause to remember, was present where suffering soldiers were found, from Donelson, in 1862, to Sherman's march to the sea. We have only to ask the crippled veteran who lay in the trenches in the rear of Vicksburg or Donelson, Shilob, Corinth, Mission Ridge, Kenesaw or Atlanta, and they will tell you that no one did more or stood by the cot of the wounded or sick more faithfully than Mother Bickerdyke.

She never seemed to sleep or require rest, and as I learn from her, she was an eyewitness of 19 hard-fought battles, and did not confine her duties to the hospital, but was to be found on the battlefield administering to her boys, and in many instances she was the last to wipe the death dew from the brow of some noble boy who was called to cross the dark river of death. Yet this same kind angel of mercy still lives, and the Government has forgotten her noble services, or at least has failed to make her pathway pleasant in her old age. If any of the comrades wish to cheer this noble lady, address her at 2244 Mission street, San Francisco, Cal. She loves to hear from her boys, as she calls them, and although aged, still retains a vivid recollection of many whom she cared for. Comrades, let us petition Congress to aid this lady, who has received no aid from the Government.

> THAT ALBUM QUILT. A. N. Fernald writes us from Winthrop, Me.,

N. B. Hood, 6th Wis. L. B., Madison, Wis.

as follows: The ladies on the W.R.C. sea excursion, June 25, at Portland, who so kindly gave their names for an album quilt, were assured they would learn from THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE of said quilt's destiny. It was disposed of at a public entertainment September last. Mrs. Ellen B. Lord, of Warren Corps, No. 12, Winthrop, Me., became the possessor. Over \$60 was realized from it, and over 1,200 names were on it-from Maine to California. The little black-eyed W.R.C. President of Connecticut, also the pleasant sister from Kansas, have our regrets. We wish

ALL ALONG THE LINE. Mrs. Dr. Eisenbrey, President of Canby Corps, Gloversville, N. Y., writes us that the Corps is in a highly prosperous condition, having a membership of 70. The Corps has contributed hoping at an early day to see an appropriate

who gave their lives to our country. Corps 44. Sabetha, Kan., earned and expended \$850 in charity last year, besides presenting the Post with a handsome banner and aiding in a fair which netted \$1,260 for the poor and needy. The ladies of Rondout, N. Y., are about to organize a Relief Corps auxiliary to Post 566. Reynolds Corps, Utica, hold their annual reception at Maennorchor Hall, on the evening of Oct. 27, for which extensive preparations

are being made. Mrs. M. M. Denison, Department Inspector of New York, is doing very efficient work in the Empire State. She has personally visited a large number of Corps, and will make a tour of inspection through Central and Western New York within the month. Mrs. Denison is a very capable and efficient officer, and a good

report may be expected. The ladies of Racine, Wis., have banded themselves together and applied for a Relief Corps charter. A temporary organization was effected by the election of Mrs. J. R. Jones, President, and Miss Ollie Eadus, Secretary. The first work of the ladies was to provide for the personal comfort of the veterans of the G.A.R., comrades of Waukegan, Ill., and Burlington, which they did with the bounteous hospitality for which they are famous. The Corps starts out with a membership of 42, and promises to be a fine organization.

One of the finest Corps of the Keystone State is the famous Col. J. W. Patterson Corps, No. 1, Pittsburg, South Side, always found in every good work. The Corps, which has a membership of 49, celebrates its second anniversary Nov. 20. At the G.A.R. Rennion Oct. 6 and 7. Corps 1, assisted by the L. L. of Post 236, served lunch to about 600, which was a dispensation of true Pennamite hospitality. Mrs. Maggie J. Sias, Past National Conductor

has been appointed Assistant Instituting and Installing Officer, by Mrs. Annie Wittenmeyer, Provisional Department President. Mrs. Sias was the first President of Col. J. W. Patterson Corps, and has in many ways aided in perfecting the work of the Relief Corps, State and

National. We find the following deserved compliment to an accomplished member of the Relief Corps in the Toledo (O.) Commercial Telegram:

Inez Rochelle, who plays an important part in "A Prisoner for Life," is one of the most beautiful and talented women on the American stage, and is the lady who played The Princess so charmingly in Frank Mayo's new play of "Nordeck." The fact that she is a native Buckeye, born and educated at Oberlin, gives local interest to her presence here, She is the wife of Capt. Sherwood, of St. Joseph, Mo., and is herself interested in Grand Army work and a member of Custer Relief Corps, of St. Joseph. She was a visitor at the meeting of Forsyth Corps vesterday with Mrs. Gen. Sherwood.

Mrs. Sarah M. E. Battels, Department Secretary of Ohio, writes us that the quarterly reports are coming in promptly and in good shape, and that everything points to good work the coming Winter. Wells Relief Corps, Columbus, O., had a sup-

per at City Hall, on the evening of the State election, and fed many a hungry patriot who was waiting for the returns to come in. Mrs. Mary Harbaugh, the able Assistant State Librarian, Columbus, O., has joined Wells Relief Corps, and expresses herself as delighted with the work of the Order, her only regret being that she did not enter it sooner.

The Chicago Comrade says: Mrs. Edward Roby, Past President of Abra-ham Lincoln W.R.C., No. 9, is a lineal descendant of Daniel Webster. No one has sacrificed more in their family relations than she, having lost many relatives and friends. Hardly a regiment left the old State of Massachusetts that did not contain a member of her family. She still keeps up the spirit of herancestry, and her voice and influence are ever used on the side of the soldier and his interest. Mrs. Lizzie D'A. Kinne, Department Presi-

dent of California, visited Los Angeles for the purpose of instituting Frank Bartlett Relief Corps. No. 7, and won golden opinions from all concerned. The following officers were installed: President, Mrs. Carrie Hazard; S. V .-P., Mrs. Lizzie Roth; J. V.-P., Mrs. Mary Foster; Sec., Miss Bessie Bell; Treas., Mrs. Mary Loman; Chap., Mrs. Salina B. Wise; C., Mrs. Phæbe I. Jenkins; G., Mrs. Annie Williams. A Relief Corps auxiliary to Post No. 17, of Racine, Wis., was organized on the 8th inst. by Mrs. Gertie Rogers, of Milwankee. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Elanor Jones; S. V.-P., Mrs. Elizabeth Carrey; J. V.-P., Mrs. Emma Bones; Chap., Mrs. Mary An derson; Sec., Miss Ollie Eadus; Treas., Mrs. Emma Marsh; C., Miss Ida Marsh; Ass't C., Mrs. Sophronia Black; Guide, Mrs. Elizabeth Blocksidge; Ass't Guide, Mrs. Carrie Carrey.

SONS OF VETERANS.

W. H. Young, Philadelphia; Camp No. 27, Sons of Veterans, will give a package party and entertainment for the benefit of their charity fund at West Philadelphia Hail on Nov. 17. Highly Pleased.

To THE EDITOR: I am highly pleased with THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE, and would like to see every soldier a subscriber .- HENRY S. CAR-ROLL, Clarksville, Mo.

"No Physic, Sir, in Mine!" A good story comes from a boys' boarding-

school in "Jersey." The diet was monotonous and constipating, and the learned Principal decided to introduce some old-style physic in the apple-sauce, and await the happy results. One bright lad, the smartest in school, discovered the secret mine in his sauce, and pushing back his plate, shouted to the pedagogue "No physic, sir, in mine. My dad told me to use nuthin' but Dr. Pierce's 'Pleasant Purgative Pellets,' and they are a-doing their duty \$500, which, added to a similar amount raised like a charm!" They are anti-bilious, and

The Increase of Insanity. Boston supports 800 insane, says Mr. T. B. Sanborn, not 75 of whom will recover! This is frightful! Insanity has increased 40 per cent. in a decade and most of the cases are incurable. Whatever the individual cause may be, the fact remains that Uric Acid blood sets the brain on fire, destroys its tissues, and then comes some form of fatal lunacy.

Nothing is so pitiable as a mind diseased. Most brain troubles begin in the stomach: then if the blood is filled with uric acid, caused by failure of kidney action, and the consequent destruction of the blood life-albumenhave the fuel and the flame, and a brain in full that age or sorrow has overtaken them. Mary blaze as when one raves, or in slow combustion, as in milder forms of insanity. Rev. E. D. Hopkins, of St. Johnsbury, Vt., a few years ago was confined in an asylum. He took a terrible cold while aiding in putting out a fire in a neighbor's burning house, and for twentyfive years that cold was slowly filling his blood with uric acid and finally the deadly work was done. The case looked hopeless but he happily used Warner's safe cure and recovered. That was three years ago, and having ridden his blood of all surplus uric acid, he has remained well until this day. It is, indeed, a terrible thing to lose one's

mind, but it is a more terrible thing to suffer such a condition when it can be so easily prevented.

Union Veteran Army.

TO THE EDITOR: The Union Veteran Army National Convention, held at Albany, N. Y., Oct. 7, elected A. S. Helms, of Indiana, Commander; J. P. Johnson Howard, of New York, First Lieut.-Commander; D. B. Long, of Kansas, Second Lieut.-Commander; Hon. H. E. Lovering, of Massachusetts, Judge-Advocate-General; Nelson Monroe, of Massachusetts, Surgeon-General; G. W. B. Eggs, of Iowa, Assistant Surgeon-General; B. F. Cleveland, of New Jersey, Chaplain-in-Chief; John R. Wilson, of New Jersey, Quartermaster-General. The Union Veteran Army bill was approved, and the Lovering bill, providing a general pension of \$8, was also adopted. The Convention adjourned to meet some day in September next, the place to be designated by the Commander-in-Chief .- WM. E. TREADWELL, Secretary, Jersey City, N. J.

OBITUARY.

Invasions of Death in the Ranks of Our Comrades. BURROWS.—Maj. Thomas B. Burrows, formerly of the 9th U. S. Inf., and lately on the retired list, lied last week at his residence in Chicago, in the 47th year of his age.
THORNTON.—Mrs. Helen Thornton, widow of the

late Gen. W. A. Thornton, U. S. A., died suddenly Oct. 12, at Newburg, N. Y. BLATCHLEY.—John Blatchley, Assistant Train-master of the Manhattan Railway Co., Western Di-vision, died in New York on Saturday, in the 45th year of his age. He was respected by his superior officers and loved by the many hundred men who found it a pleasure to obey his orders and follow his advice. Mr. Blatchley served throughout the war with the 1st N. Y. Mounted Rifles. GODFREY.—Jesse S. Godfrey, Corporal, Co. F. 25th N. J., died recently in Cape May, N. J. He received injuries at the battle of Fredericksburg from which he never recovered. He leaves a wife

TABER.-At Brooklyn, N. Y., on Sunday last Thomas M. Taber, in the 48th year of his age. Mr. Taber was quite prominent in both journalistic and Grand Army circles, and was a universal favorite. When a mere boy he calisted in the navy. He participated in the taking of Mobile, and was engaged in the operations on the Mississippi River under Capt. (now Rear-Admiral) Jouett. He was a memper of Reno Post, of Brooklyn. BILLER.-At Buffalo, N. Y., on the 19th ult., Michael Biller, aged 41 years and nine days. After two-years' service in Co. H, 21st N. Y., here-enlisted

in the 187th N. Y., and served until the close of the TRUMBLE.-At Elyria, O., Sept. 30, Wm. Trumble. age 84 years 6 months and 29 days. He served in the Seminole War and in the war against the Creeks and Cherokees. He also enlisted in the Union army, and was a member of Co. D, 178th Ohio, and was in several engagements. He was a member of Richard Allen Post, No. 65, and was laid to rest

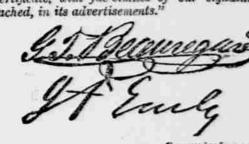
under the auspices of that organization.
Perkins.—Jasper Perkins, Co. D. 5th Mo. Cav., M. S. M., died Sept. 25, at Rockport, Mo. He was a faithful soldier and a firm friend of THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE. NORDMAN, -At Connersville, Ind., George Nordman, Co. E, 137th Ohio. His funeral was conducted by Connersville Post, No. 126, of which he had long

een a member. MURPHY .- On the 7th inst. at Connersville, Ind. Garrett Murphy, Co. A, 16th Ind. M't'd Inf. uneral services were held in the Catholic church. He was not a member of the Grand Army, but by request of his relatives Connersville lost, No. 126, attended his funeral in a body. Keller.—Recently, at Connersvie, Ind., Ernst Keller, Co. C, 165th Ohio. The comrades of Con-nersville Post, No. 125, of which deceased was a nember, attended the obsequies in a body.

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